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MEETING MINUTES: GAMING CONTROL BOARD

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, January 6, 2011at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

APPROVED: February 3, 2011

MEMBERS PRESENT

James Greene, Chairman, DE Volunteer Fireman's Association Member Deborah Messina, Vice Chairperson, Public Member Sharon McDowell, Public Member Brad Barrie, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Robert Willard, Deputy Attorney General Sandra Wagner, Administrative Specialist III Michele Urbaniak, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Scott Angelucci, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Jay Denver, Trip Kings
Tim Hamill, Middletown Sports Lounge
Ron Makar, AKSE Synagogue
Philip Belt, Holy Cross Church
J.T. Takacs, American Heart Association
Carol Torre, Full House Poker

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Greene called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of December 2, 2010. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Final Denials

<u>Sussex County Land Foundation</u> Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the final denial of the application of Sussex County Land Foundation. The motion passed unanimously.

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Review of PTD Application

<u>American Heart Association</u> Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the application of the American Heart Association that was previously proposed to deny. The motion passed unanimously.

Joint Sunset Review

The Board moved forward on the agenda, since Ms. Warren was not in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS

Executive Session N/A

Board Member Reports

Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to move the Charitable Gambling application of the Diamond State VFW Ladies Auxiliary from the ratification list to the agenda as item 4.4.9. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Application(s) for Texas Hold'Em Tournaments

Hall Burke VFW 5447, Ki-Yi Pup Tent 1, RC Dupont Unit 18 American Legion Auxiliary, Diamond State VFW Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to approve the Texas Hold'Em Tournament applications of Hall Burke VFW 5447, Ki-Yi Pup Tent, RC Dupont Unit 18 American Legion Auxiliary, and Diamond State VFW. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Application(s) for Charitable Gambling Event(s)

<u>Cats Around Town</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the Charitable Gambling application of Cats Around Town contingent upon receipt of the missing AOR before the January 15, 2011 event date. If the missing AOR is not received by the Board office by January 15, 2011, then the Board proposes to deny all event dates listed on the application. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Diamond Dreams</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the Charitable Gambling application of Diamond Dreams contingent upon receipt of a letter from the applicant stating its reason for holding off-site events. The motion passed unanimously.

RC Dupont 18 American Legion, Ki-Yi Pup Tent 1, Hall Burke VFW 5447 Ms. Messina reviewed the applications. Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to approve the Charitable Gambling applications of RC Dupont 18 American Legion, Ki-Yi Pup Tent 1, and Hall Burke VFW 5447. The motion passed unanimously.

American Heart Association – Heart Ball Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to propose to deny the Charitable Gambling application of the American Heart Association – Heart Ball for not submitting a letter or lease agreement from the Sheraton Hotel. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Seaford Volunteer Fire Company</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to approve the Charitable Gambling application of the Seaford Volunteer Fire Company. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Knights of Columbus Old Bohemia Council</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to propose to deny the application of the Knights of Columbus Old Bohemia Council for not submitting an After Occasion Report from a previous event, a letter from the third party vendor, and the vendor's house rules. The motion passed unanimously.

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<u>Diamond State VFW Ladies Auxiliary</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the application. Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to approve the Charitable Gambling application of Diamond State VFW Ladies Auxiliary. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Greene asked the members of the public to introduce themselves to the Board. Ron Makar identified himself as a representative of AKSE Synagogue. Mr. Belt identified himself as a representative of Holy Cross Church. Mr. Takacs identified himself as a member of the American Heart Association Heart Ball. Mr. Denver identified himself as a representative of TripKings. Mr. Hamill identified himself as a representative of Middletown Sports Lounge. Mr. Greene thanked the public for their introductions.

Review of Application(s) for Instant Bingo Event(s)

There were no instant Bingo applications to review.

Review of Application(s) for Bingo Event(s)

<u>Indian River HS Band Boosters, Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth (AKSE), Delmar Band Patrons</u> Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to approve the Bingo applications of Indian River HS Band Boosters, Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth (AKSE), and Delmar Band Patrons. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Application(s) for Raffle(s)

<u>Holy Cross Church</u> Ms. Messina reviewed the raffle applications. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to approve the raffle application of Holy Cross Church. The motion passed unanimously.

Review of Request to Change Date/Venue of Approved Event

<u>Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation</u> Mr. Greene reviewed the request for a date change. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to approve the date change requested by Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation. The motion passed unanimously.

Inclement Weather/State of Emergency Request None

Approval of Licensure List

Mr. Barrie read the licensure list for Texas Hold'Em Tournaments. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to ratify the licensure of Brandywine Lodge 33 A.F.& A.M., Knights of Columbus Bishop Curtis, MOT Senior Center, Knights of Columbus Bishop Becker, and ACS Relay for Life United for a Cure. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Barrie read the licensure list for Charitable Gambling Events. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to ratify the licensure of Children & Families First, FOP 9 Sussex County, Ravens Roost 96, MOT Senior Center, Laurel Fire Department Inc., Knights of Columbus Bishop Curtis 2867, DE Warriors Travel Baseball, DSP Troop 4 Explorers, Brandywine Lodge 33 A.F. & A.M., Forgotten Cats Inc., Delmarva Dawgs, DE Action for Animals, KOC Archbishop Fitzmaurice 4th Assembly, Knights of Columbus Bishop Becker, Newark Senior Center, and Spuck & Lib Bennett Scholarship Fund. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to ratify the Charitable Gambling licensure of Cape Henlopen Benevolent & Protective Order of Elks. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Messina read the licensure list for Instant Bingo Events. Ms. Messina made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to ratify the licensure of Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Congregation. The motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Greene read the licensure list for Raffles. Mr. Barrie made a motion, seconded by Ms. McDowell, to ratify the licensure of Townsend Fire Company and Ronald McDonald House of DE. The motion was unanimously approved.

Hearings/Consent Agreements None

Complaint Assignment and Status

Mr. Greene reported that Mr. Barrie received notification that complaint number 22-07-09 has been dismissed by the Attorney General's office.

Delegation of Authority (Permits Issued)

Ratification of Bingo Event(s) Permits Issued

Ms. McDowell read the licensure list of Bingo event permits issued in December 2010. Mr. Barrie made a motion, seconded by Ms. Messina, to ratify the licensure of permits to Sgt. William Lloyd Nelson #3792, Cheswold Volunteer Fire Company, Delaware Veterans Inc. Post #2, Sussex County AMVETS Post #2, Bowers Fire Company, and Harrington Fire Company. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. McDowell read the licensure list of Bingo event permits issued in January 2011. Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barrie, to ratify the licensure of permits to Camden Wyoming Fire Company, Friends for Responsible Pet Care, Milford Elks Lodge, and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. The motion was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carol Torre of Full House Poker inquired, if a charitable organization who has previously been licensed for bingo submits an application for a first-time charitable gambling event, does the organization need to submit documentation (such as an IRS letter) as a first-time applicant, or can the documentation already on file for bingo also be used for charitable gambling applications? Ms. Messina, Mr. Greene, and Ms. Wagner agreed that the organization does not need to resubmit documentation (such as an IRS letter) for a charitable gambling application that has previously been submitted for a bingo application, as the Division should already have the document in its files. However, the Board agreed that if the documentation is easily accessible to the charitable organization, it would be a courtesy to the Board's administrative staff to submit the documentation again.

Mr. Hamill of Middletown Sports Lounge asked the Board to confirm the documents needed to complete the Charitable Gambling application of the Knights of Columbus Old Bohemia Council. The Board confirmed that the organization is missing a letter from the third party vendor granting permission to use their offsite location, the house rules of the third party vendor, and any missing After Occasion Reports. Ms. Messina reiterated that if the organization submits all of the necessary documentation before the Board's next meeting, then the organization's charitable gambling application will be approved.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Board meeting is February 3, 2011 at 1:00 p.m., located at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building, Conference Room B, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded Mr. Barrie, to adjourn the meeting at 1:27p.m. The motion was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Michele Urbaniak Administrative Specialist II